



Request
For
Continued Examination (RCE)
Transmittal

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Application Number	09/367,794
Filing Date	August 19, 1999
Examiner Name	Chih Min Kam
First Named Inventor	Dime, David S.
Art Unit	1653
Attorney Docket Number	018148-000130US

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1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

ii. Other _____

b. Enclosed

i. Amendment/Reply

ii. Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)

iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. Other _____

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. Other _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 20-1430

i. RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

ii. Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. Other _____

b. Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed

c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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Name (Print /Type)	Joseph R. Snyder	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	39,381
Signature		Date	August 6, 2003

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Effective 01/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$ 580)

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

Check Credit Card MoneyOrder Other None

 Deposit Account:

Deposit Account Number

20-1430

Deposit Account Name

Townsend and Townsend and Crew LLP

The Commissioner is authorized to: (check all that apply)

Charge fee(s) indicated below Credit any overpayments
 Charge any additional fee(s) during the pendency of this application
 Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee to the above-identified deposit account.

FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Small Entity

Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001	750	2001	375	Utility filing fee	
1002	330	2002	165	Design filing fee	
1003	520	2003	260	Plant filing fee	
1004	750	2004	375	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

		Extra Claims	Fees from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	<input type="checkbox"/>	** = <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	= <input type="checkbox"/>	
Independent Claims	<input type="checkbox"/>	** = <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	= <input type="checkbox"/>	
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Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)
1202	18	2202	9
1201	84	2201	42
1203	280	2203	140
1204	84	2204	42
1205	18	2205	9

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$)

** or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

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3. ADDITIONAL FEES

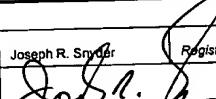
Large Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
	1051	130		2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
	1052	50		2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
	1053	130		1053	130	Non-English specification	
	1812	2,520		1812	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
	1804	920*		1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
	1805	1,840*		1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
	1251	110		2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
	1252	410		2252	205	Extension for reply within second month	205
	1253	930		2253	465	Extension for reply within third month	
	1254	1,450		2254	725	Extension for reply within fourth month	
	1255	1,970		2255	985	Extension for reply within fifth month	
	1401	320		2401	160	Notice of Appeal	
	1402	320		2402	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
	1403	280		2403	140	Request for oral hearing	
	1451	1,510		1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
	1452	110		2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
	1453	1,300		2453	650	Petition to revive - unintentional	
	1501	1,300		2501	650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
	1502	470		2502	235	Design issue fee	
	1503	630		2503	315	Plant issue fee	
	1460	130		1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
	1807	50		1807	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	
	1808	180		1808	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
	8021	40		8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
	1809	750		2809	375	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
	1810	750		2810	375	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
	1801	750		2801	375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	375
	1802	900		1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

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SUBTOTAL (3)

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